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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir :

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 23, 2006, Applicants
hereby submit the following Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. This Response is
timely filed on April 24, 2006.

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Entry of the following Amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the
rejections of record are respectfully requested.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected on the listing of claims, which begins
on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.